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SUBJ: GERMAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS ON CONIFEROUS LUMBER

REF : GATT L/3828, 3/21/73

1. EMERGENCY RESTRICTIONS HAVE BEEN IMPOSED ON IMPORTS OF
CONIFEROUS LUMBER INTO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY
FOR THE YEAR 1973.

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2. US EXPORTERS HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL TRADE INTEREST IN THE GERMAN MARKET FOR THIS TYPE OF LUMBER (DOLS. 20 MILLION IN 1972). ALTHOUGH THE US HAS INITIAL NEGOTIATING RIGHTS FOR DOUGLAS FIR AND PITCH PINE (BTN 44.05- B), BECAUSE OF THE STRONG DOMESTIC DEMAND FOR LUMBER THE US WILL NOT SEEK CONSULTATION AT THIS TIME.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE INFORM THE GATT SECRETARIAT AND THE EC COMMISSION THAT THE OFFER TO CONSULT WITH CONTRACTING PARTIES HAVING A SUBSTANTIAL INTEREST IN EXPORTS OF LUMBER TO GERMANY IS APPRECIATED. HOWEVER, THE US DOES NOT CONSIDER IT NECESSARY TO CONSULT AT THIS TIME, BUT DOES WISH TO RESERVE ITS GATT RIGHTS TO CONSULT AT SOME FUTURE DATE SHOULD DEVELOPMENTS WARRANT SUCH CONSULTATION. RUSH

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